## PLEA OF DEFENSE INSANITY IN THE SHAFFER TRIAL

Rests Case On Testimony of an Expert.

HISTORY OF THE CRIME

Prosecution Expected Spend Two Days In Rebuttal.

The first week of the trial of Augus tus L. Shaffer for the murder of his aivorced wife, Katherine Ivey Shaffer, on August 22, last, came to an end yes-terday morning with the resting of their case by the attorneys for the defense Until yesterday there had been nothing particularly dramatic about the trial, but the last witness called broke the monotony and produced the first sensa tion. This witness was little Willi Shaffer, the twelve-year-old son of the defendant. His actions while on the stand and in the court room after he had been excused produced a profound

Early in the week it became apparen that there was not the least shadow of doubt that Shaffer had committed to erime for which he stands indicted, for witness after witness called to the stand by the prosecution piled up overwhelm ing evidence against the accused man. One by ene, from persons who happened to be passing the scene of the crime at the time it occurred, to policeman who took Shaffer to the station house, they told of the defendant's admission that he had killed his former wife, and it developed early in the trial that the defense his attorneys would set up would be on that of insanity, due to or not, the amounts offered are large estimate win which, under other condi-

Beginning of Trial.

The trial began on Monday in Criminal Court No. 1, Justice Wright, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, presiding. After two hours the panel of jurymen was exhausted, only two or three men having qualified for jury duty. Many were challenged for cause on account of their preconceived opinion of the case, and others on account of their prejudice against capital punishment. A number were excused for business reasons, while nearly all the challenges of the defense were exhausted upon those men, otherwise qualified, who stated that they did not believe drunkenness an excuse for crime. The court took a recess un-til Tuesday, ordering that eighty additional talesmen be summoned in order that a jury might be selected. Many of these were challenged or excused, and more than half the number were exhausted before twelve men were ob-

neled: Arthur B. Walker, H. C. Co-burn, Otto H. Fisher, John Bardroff, Louis M. Paxton, H. T. Davis, Charles her on the pavement and stood by, look-

Assistant District Attorneys Charles No. 6 police precinct station,, and the H. Turner and Charles A. Keigwin. patrol wagon was brought. Henry E. Davis and Lambert & Baker represent the defendant,

Story of the Crime.

The story of the crime, as told the jury by Mr. Turner in his opening statement and as developed by the witnesses for both sides upon examination is this: Augustus L. Shaffer and his wife, Katherine Ivey Shaffer, after having lived together for ten years, during which time two children were born to them, were divorced in April, 1901. By the decree of the divorce the custody of their nine-year-old son was given to the father, while the mother took the daughter, two years younger. After they were divorced Mrs. Shaffer, who took her maiden name and was known as Mrs. Katherine Ivey, went to live

Shaffer became despondent after his sound. wife left him, and brooded over his The evidence tends to show that he was kind to her under normal conditions, but that when he was drunk or in one of the fits of violent temper to which he was subject, he was brutal. The sisters of Mrs. Shaffer testified that they had heard him use the vilest sort of language to her, and one of the sisters told of having seen him strike

Efforts at Reconciliation.

After the divorce was granted Shaffer did all he could to get his former wife to come back to him, but all his efforts were futile. For a matter of a

### St. Elizabeth Attaches Throw Up the Sponge

Effort to Call Meeting of the Disaffected Employes of Institution to Air Grievances Ends in Failure.

Efforts on the part of the dissatisfied employes of St. Elizabeth's Hospital to call another meeting for the purpose of airing their grievances resulted in failure last night, the officers of the Hospital Attendants' Protective Union declining to countenance such a gathering. When T. O. Pyles, who led the recent crusade of the employes against the management, and who has since been discharged, appeared at Haine's Hall, Anacostia, expecting to find a gathering of his friends of the union, he was disappointed. About ten men he was disappointed. About ten men have become yery weak-kneed since he had collected at a store on the opposite left the institution.

#### WIDE INTEREST IN **ELECTION CONTEST**

Eighty Dollars' Bonus to Winner of \$1,000 Prize If He Files This Month the Winning Estimate.

on increased interest.

four months after the conventions have given at one time been held.

Times' Greatest Contest.

This is The Times' greatest contest To winners of biggest prizes it may mean possession of the largest sum of enough to appeal to every man, woman or child who reads The Times' offer.

The Times, both evening and Sunday, has given its reacher the benefit of a rumber of free cash prize contests. It has given away many hundreds of dolars in the conditions of the contest, as well as the liberal allowance for prizes will has given away many hundreds of dol-lars to scores of winners. And in doing so it has proven to the public how well be found in the regular advertisement of tise itself-so that the praise of its name is on the lips of over 150,000 readers-and its circulation is ever on the in-

These contests have been conducted

for the purpose of exciting a general, prize of \$1,000.

neard him say, as he did so: "Kate, it's my turn now." The woman gave a scream and said: "Oh, Gus!" Then, "Oh, my God!"

Shaffer drew a razor across her throat inflicting three wounds, one seven inches long, from the base of her skull to the point of her chin. This cut caused her death. The other cuts were parallel to it, lower down. They were smaller. T. Jones, William F. Turner, George A. Blackman, Norman A. Taylor, James W. Gibson, and George E. Terry.

The attorneys for the Government are the following the standard of the pavement and attorneys for the george E. Bystanders grabbed him and Fireman Sullivan, of No. 6 engine house, took him into custody. Word was sent to

Several of the policemen at No. 6 knew Shaffer well, and one of them, when he arrived and found out what had happened, asked Shaffer what he had done. now. There's no use talking about it."

After he got into the patrol wagon he

around his neck and kissed him. He then are Anacostia. Wilson Memorial. Tripo "I did it." he said. "It is all over was again questioned and asked why he climbed into his lap and sat there cry-

"You see, I'm not worrying."

nmitted the crime with which he as Mrs. Katherine Ivey, went to live stands charged, but upon cross-examination of the Government's witnesses brought out by the testimony, she lived in other parts of the city, but at the time of her death she was living with her mother and sisters on Fourth Street northwest, near the scene of her murder. The murder, and that his mind was under the murder.

year or more he and his divorced wife were on fairly friendly terms. They used to meet at different places in the city with the children, and spend a few hours together. The children would play together, while the father and the mother taiked. These conversations, Willie Shaffer said yesterday, were Willie Shaffer said yesterday, were Willie Shaffer said yesterday, were usually on the subject of his mother's

With approach of nominating conven- | far-reaching interest in The Times and tions The Times' election contest takes on increased interest.

Estimates on how many votes will be new readers.

Set if The Times has had grand cast for the Republican and Democratic candidates combined will not begin to flood in until the nominations have been made. Still the large number of estimates continually arriving now preface for those registering estimates an active flow away free than has before been given away free than has before been given at one time.

Every one is eligible. There is no cost to anybody but The Times. The full amount paid by contestants is repaid in

redit for the paper.

No one knows what the total cast of mean possession of the largest sum of votes will be, so there is no possibilty money they have ever had, or expect to of unfairness of any kind. Conditions estimate win which, under other condi-tions, would be wide of the mark. Those conditions are as liable to make the vote inthians. 1:7-18. fit the estimate cast by the most inex-

an enterprising newspaper can adver-tise itself—so that the praise of its name who can use \$1,000 conveniently should study the advertisement, and send in an estimate or two immediately.

eft arm around the woman's neck, and

Rushed to His Father.

When Willie was excused he rushed meeting, although all leaguers are co id it.
"She done me dirt," Shaffer said. his child, whom he held clasped to his breast. When the court adjourned

Later he said he "ought to have done it long ago." All this was brought out by witnesses called by the Government.

Plea of Drunkenness.

The defense made no attempt to cast doubt upon the fact that Shaffer had as "Mrs. Ivey."

breast. When the court adjourned Willie went out with his father.

A noticeable point in Willie's testimony was the manner in which he referred to his two grandmothers, both of whom were sitting only a few feet from him. He spoke of Mrs. Shaffer as Grandma," and of his mother's mother, as "Mrs. Ivey."

Expert on Alcoholism.

Dr. Leon L. Friedrich was called to sound. It was shown that Shaffer was drunk for a week before the crime was committed, and that he had always been erratic. When drunk he was violent.

The Ivey family was called by the Government, and the Shaffer family was called by the defense. Of the two families, the Shaffer family has been much more composed throughout the trial than the Ivey family. Brothers of the defendant have sat with him every day, and since his mother testified, she, too, has been in constant attendance upon the trial. The Ivey family testified on Wednesday, and have been at the courtroom every hour since. Both families pay the closest attention to every move that is made, and appear to be fascinated by the testimony, which means so much to both.

Shaffer Composed.

"If I may interrupt" said Dr. Fried
would escape.

TWO DIVORCES GRANTED ON STATUTORY GROUNDS

Lilly R. Warren was yesterday disorced from George W. Warren, on statutory grounds. The decree, which is signed by Justice Gould, permits Mrs. Warren to resume her maiden name, between composed.

In the same court Mattle Huysman was divorced from Frederick M. Huysman, on statutory grounds. Mrs. It was shown that Shaffer was and the remainder of the time in this

Grievances Enlarged.

## HOT FIGHT ON IN D. A. R. RANKS

Canvass for Next President of the Body.

RIVAL CANDIDATES WORKING

Mrs. Daniel Manning and Mrs. Donald McLean Each Striving for the Honor.

ST. LOUIS. Mo., June 18.-Mrs. Daniel Manning and Mrs. Donald McLean, both of New York, are candidates for president of the Daughters of the Amer Revolution, and are in a midst of a warm social campaign for the honor.

Mrs. McLean's admirers say she should be elected because Mrs. Manning has but recently been chosen president of the board of lady managers, and they consider this enough honor for the time

The election will not be held until next March, but the campaign began long ago, and it is something more than luke varm by this time. Just now there are in St. Louis so many ladies who are for either Mrs. McLean or Mrs. Manning that it was feared there would be, perhaps, too much partisanship in St. Louis social circles when the two ladles cam into contact at the fair.

### EPWORTH CONFERENCE AT MOUNTAIN LAKE

League to Assemble at Park on July 14 to 17-Topic for Sunday's Devotional Meeting.

of the Epworth League on Sunday even reference for which his found in II Cor-

H. A. Ison, fourth vice president of the District League, conducted the devotional meeting at Brightwood Park dertaking any such exertion.

Chapter, on last Sunday evening. There

He suffers from an attack of acute in-Chapter, on last Sunday evening. There was a good attendance, and a very profitable meeting was held.

If the closest estimate is received this as heretofore announced by mistake. month a bonus of \$80 goes with the first. The transportation committee will meet at Hotel La Fetra on Monday evening next, June 20, at 6 o'clock, to further

one occasion they had gone to Caban
John Bridge together.

He and his little sister were usually
present at these meetings, and they
would play together while their parents
talked. Shaffer would beg Mrs. Shaffer
to come back to him, Willie said, and
she would decline. They were always
friendly.

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Under cross-examination Willie grew nervous, although Assistant District Attorney Turner was very gentle with him. He burst into tears, and it was some time before he could talk. When he did begin again his words were interspersed with sobs.

His mother's sisters were overcome at the scene, and for the first time during the trial Shaffer showed pronounced emotion. He did not give way, but his chin sunk lower on his breast, and his whole countenance bore witness to his distress. His eyes wore an agonized expression, and he seemed unable to take his eyes off his son. The other members of the Shaffer family showed some emotion.

Rushed to His Father.

ther details of the trip will be given in these columns later.

Ernest H. Pullman, corresponding sectory of the District League, will conduct the devotional service at Eldbrooke Chapter, Sunday.

A mass meeting, under the auspices of the third department of the league work, "Mercy and Help," will be held at Wilson Memorial Church on Tuesday evening, June 21, at 8 o'clock. The arrangements for this meeting are in the hands of Mrs. M. M. Mitchell, the third vice president, and an excellent program, followed by a social hour with refreshments, has been provided for.

Those chapters participating in the A mass meeting, under the auspices of tee has offered a cash prize to the mem refreshments, has been provided for

Those chapters participating in the ty, Lynn, Gaithersburg, and Waugh,

A LITTLE LEARNING BROUGHT ON SUICIDE

BUFFALO, June 18 .- Maynard Lovell. twenty-two years old, committed sui-cide yesterday because he feared he would not pass his examinations at Lovell, who is said to be a well-known nerchant.

The young man attached one end o a long tube to a gas jet and the other end he placed in his mouth. Then he n the gas and placed a blanket over his head, so that none of the gas

WORLD'S FAIR GROUNDS.

will be standy setterday, were usually on the subject of his mother's returning to his father. His father would begreated that the showed any unwall performed to him, and showed and setting and payrenty about height was shown. Shaffer should melght, with brown halr, mustache, and beard His cyes are gray and deep wollockif, and Mrs. Shaffer avoided him left, with brown halr, mustache, and beard His cyes are gray and deep wollockif, and Mrs. Shaffer avoided him height, with brown halr, mustache, and beard His cyes are gray and deep were widely and height, with brown halr, mustache, and beard His cyes are gray and deep wollockif, and Mrs. Shaffer avoided him height was shown. Shaffer should make the great was a standy and the standy a Affords Superb Accommodations and the Greatest Convenience for Visitors.

#### OHIO AVENUE ROUTE MAY YET BE CHOSEN

Expense of Relaying Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Tracks May Prevent Consideration.

The energetic campaign begun by Dr. as an approach from Pennsylvania Ave-Swan M. Burnett to dissuade the Dis-trict Commissioners from permitting the The attention of The Times has also Washington, Alexandria & Mt. Vernon Railroad Company to lay new tracks and operate cars along Fifteenth Street that the whole expense of the remova and Ohio Avenue northwest, in front and relaying of the tracks shall be of the Emergency Hospital, is maintain- borne by the District Government and Expected the Case Will Occupy Attened by Dr. Burnett and friends of the in-

bearing the following query: "If there are good reasons why street cars should not run in front of the pro

posed Municipal Building, are there not the same and even stronger rea why cars should not run in front of the Emergency Hospital?"

Many Objections to Route. Dr. Burnett also wrote the Commissers that he had received numerous objections to the Ohio Avenue route

The change of the route of the tracks of the railroad is necessitated by the erection of the new Municipal Building. The act of Congress making the appropriation for it says the tracks shall be removed. It is claimed by the District officials that cars cannot run along E Street, because that space is to be used

been called to the fact that the act of Congress referred to has a provision WAS KILLED IN HER HOME the United States. Consequently the Commissioners, in deciding what route Yesterday the Commissioners received the company shall be allowed to ta a postal card signed "A Friend," and will have to consider the expense which the District shall be put.

A Question of Expense.

Engineer Commissioner Biddle, in speaking of The Times editorial of Fri-day last, advocating that some route be chosen that will take the noise of

HER OLD-TIME SPEED

Without Trying-Charlie Mas'

New World's Record.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 18 .- The

queen of the trotting turf, the peerless Lou Dillon, was the star attraction at

the matinee meet given at the Glenville track this afternoon and she showed

conclusively that she still retains all of

With her owner, Mr. Billings, hand-

ling the ribbons she was sent a mile to

a wagon, it being announced that she

out half trying, and nicely rated by Mr. Billings she covered the mile in

Mr. Billings then went after the world's

amateur trotting record to saddle, with his Charlie Mas. He reduced the figures

of 2:19%, which have stood for a long

BERNHARDT AND MAX FRIENDLY.

PARIS, June 18.—Sarah Bernhardt,

who has been on the outs with her

leading man Max, today arranged an

affecting reconciliation with him, and

the two will appear in London on Mon-day next.

time, to 2:17%

would try to beat 2:10. She did it

#### REPRESENTATIVE HITT LOU DILLON RETAINS CONFINED TO HIS BED

Reported Improving, Though Physi- Queen of Turf Goes Mile in 2:051/2 cians Suppress Details-May Not Attend Convention.

"He is a little improved tonight," was the report given out shortly before midnight, at the home of Representative R. R. Hitt, 1507 K Street northwest. No prediction will be made as to whether Mr. Hitt will be able to attend the Chicago convention, as he had planned. The probability is that his physicians will not permit him to do so,

or will at least advise against his un-

The Hitt boomers at the convention The fourth general conference, District convention of the Epworth League, will be held at Mountain Lake Park, Md., July 14-17, inclusive, instead of in June, an argument against him. Mr. Hitt is will doubtless be greatly disappointed a few months past seventy years of

Secrecy has been enjoined by the attending physicians as to all details of Mr. Hitt's illness. It was reported last night, however, that Mr. Hitt had not been out of his bed yesterday.

#### MACCABEE EXCURSION WILL BE HELD JULY 6

The excursion committee of National Hive is holding meetings each week, and everything is in readiness for their excursion to River View on July 6. Tick-ets are selling rapidly and the commit-

ber selling the most tickets.

Lady Cox has returned from Baltimore, where she has been assisting Lady Floyd, State commander of Maryland, National Hive was entertained last

Friday evening by the excursion com-mittee with Maccabee songs.

#### ROBERTS AND CHOATE **GUESTS AT A DINNER**

LONDON, June 18 .- At the second an nual dinner of the Pilgrim Club here last evening, the guest of honor was General Lord Roberts, and Joseph Choate, the American ambassador, paid an eloquent tribute to him, in introduc-ing him, finally winding up by inviting

the distinguished British soldier to visit the United States. The general responded in a fitting the State Normal School. Lovell comes from Perry. His father is Warren H. Lovell, who is said to be a well-known erals Chaffee and Young, of the United States Army, and from Bishop Potter.

CAMDEN RESTAURATEUR DEAD. CAMDEN, N. J., June 18 .- Edward Foster, a prominent restaurateur of this city, was taken suddenly ill of heart trouble at 9 o'clock this morning and died in less than an hour and a half. He leaves a widow and three children.

Persons Needing Pianos Can Reap a Harvest Just Now -Pfeiffer's Stock of High Grade Planos Being Sacrificed to Save Them.

The work on the Geological Survey addition is forcing the pianos right out of Pfeiffer's warerooms at 1324-1326 F

The high character of the instruments sold by Pfeiffer is so well known that any reduction in their price would cre-ate a demand for them. The absurdly

# TRIAL OF WEEDON

Charged With the Murder of Rachel Beall.

tion of Court for at Least Two Weeks.

Andrew Weedon will be called to trial tomorrow in Criminal Court No. 2, be-fore Justice Gould and a jury, for the murder of Mrs. Rachel Ann Beall on De-Emergency, said yesterday afternoon:

"While I agree with The Times on the proposition that the cars should be kept from the Emergency if possible, the fact must not be forgotten that we also have to take into consideration, besides the welfare of the hospital, the amount of money that the District taxpayers must give up in order to have the tracks laid.

"We want as short a route as we can conveniently secure with the least possible annoyance to anybody. We shall consider the problem most carefully before rendering our decision." ember 11 last. The crime for which he

her home, where the disarrangement of the furniture in the room showed that she made a desperate struggle for her life. Six wounds were found in her body-one in her head, two in her breast, one in her abdomen, and one in each hand.

Weedon Suspected.

Soon after the dead body of Mrs. Beall was discovered, suspicion pointed to Andrew Weedon as the guilty person who committed the crime. He is related to the woman, being her step-son-in-law, Mrs. Beall having married his step-

Mrs. Beall having married his stepfather.

Mrs. Beall lived with Charles Olerich
and Weedon resided in Southeast Washington. After I is arrest by Policeman
Cullinane, Weedon said that on the day
Mrs. Beall met her death he left his
home at an early hour, and went to a
saloon at 1300 Delaware Avenue. There
he remained a short time, he said, and
when he left went to the Washington
Navy Yard. When he returned from
that place he said he went to his home,
remained there about ten minutes, and
again went to the saloon on Delaware
Avenue, where he was arrested. He
denied any knowledge of the affair or
that he was at Mrs. Beall's home that
day. Further than this he is stated to
have said that he did not own or have
a pistol.

Practiced With Pistol

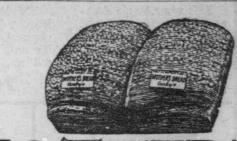
Evidence was offered at the Coroner's inquisition, however, to prove that a short time before Mrs. Beall was killed Weedon was practicing target snooting with a pistol.

It is expected that the trial will continue for two or three weeks.

The empaneling of a special panel of jurors to pass upon the guilt or innocence of the accused will be begun tomorrow morning. It is not expected, however, that the jury will be completed until Wedn'ssday.

Weedon will be represented by Andrew A. Lipscomb and F. Edward Mitchell, and the Government by District Attorney Beach and Assistant District Attorney Alexander R. Mullowney. Weedon was practicing target shooting

"As pure as Mother made it."



## MOTHER'S BREAD

The Bread That Has Raised the Standard of **Bread Making** To a Point Heretofore Unattainable.

We've studied Bread with the aim of perfecting it. We found the old method of mixing didn't develop the gluten in the dough satisfactorily. We worked out a mixer that develops 20 per cent more gluten than is possible by any other process.

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With every facility and the knowledge necessary to produce a perfect bread we produce a perfect bread.

Mother's Bread is unique. Absolutely pure-absolutely the best, most wholesome bread that can be made.

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